

## REGULAR MEETING-MANSFIELD TOWN COUNCIL-FEBRUARY 9, 2004

At 7:30 p.m. Mayor Elizabeth Paterson called the regular meeting of the Mansfield Town Council to order in the Council Chamber of the Audrey P. Beck Municipal Building.

I. ROLL CALL

Present: Blair, Clouette, Haddad, Hawkins, Paterson, Paulhus, Thorkelson  
Absent: Bellm, Schaefer

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Paulhus moved and Mr. Hawkins seconded to approve the minutes with the addition of Mr. Paulhus' name to attendance at Community Conversation program under the Town Manager's report.

So passed unanimously.

III. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL

No comments from the public.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

- 1. Issues Regarding the UConn Landfill Including the UConn Consent Order, Public Participation Relative to the Consent Order and Well Testing

No action needed to be taken by the Council. Progress reports are in packet

2. An Ordinance Regulating Adult-oriented Establishments

Mr. Hawkins moved and Ms. Blair seconded to adopt the proposed "Ordinance Regulating Adult-oriented establishments," as proposed by staff in its draft dated February 9, 2004, and which ordinance will become effective 21 days after publication in a newspaper having circulation in the Town of Mansfield.

So passed unanimously.

3. University Spring Weekend

Town Manager reported that the staff has been meeting with police and the Zoning agent has reviewed zoning regulations with regards to rental units. He has sent out 10 violations notices. There is a fine of \$150.00 per day for said violation.

V. NEW BUSINESS

- 4. Proposed Budget Review Calendar

Mr. Haddad moved and Mr. Paulhus seconded to table this item until the next

meeting for staff review.

So passed unanimously.

5. WPCA Proposed Willimantic Sewer Budget for Fiscal Year 2003/2004

Mr.Haddad moved and Mr.Thorkelson seconded to adjourn as the Mansfield Town Council and convene as the WPCA.

So passed unanimously.

WPCA

Ms. Blair moved and Mr. Hawkins seconded that, effective February 9, 2004, to adopt the proposed fiscal year 2003/04 Willimantic Sewer Budget, as presented by the Director of Finance.

So passed unanimously.

Mr. Thorkelson moved and Mr. Paulhus seconded to adjourn as the WPCA and reconvene as the Mansfield Town Council.

So passed unanimously.

6. Clover Mill Road at Route 195

Mr. Hawkins moved and Ms. Blair seconded that effective February 9, 2004, to authorize staff to communicate with the Connecticut Department of Transportation to inquire about the possibility of investigating the inclusion of context-sensitive design improvements to the Clover Mill Road/Route 195 intersection as part of the Chaffeeville Road/Route 195 intersection improvement design project.

So passed unanimously.

7. William Caspar Graustien Memorial Fund Discovery Grant for 2004

Mr. Haddad moved and Mr. Hawkins seconded that effective February 9, 2004, to authorize staff to submit an application to the William Caspar Graustien Memorial Fund requesting \$29, 844 in revenues to help fund the town's 2004 commitment to the Discovery initiative.

So passed unanimously.

8. Proclamation in Honor of National Education Association's Read Across America's National Celebration of Dr. Seuss' 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday.

Ms. Blair moved and Mr. Haddad seconded that effective March 2, 2004, to authorize the Mayor to issue the attached Proclamation in Honor of the National Education Association's Read Across America's National Celebration of Dr.

Seuss' 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday.

So passed unanimously.

9. Revision to Town of Mansfield Fee Schedule-adoption fee for Domestic Cats

Mr. Thorkelson moved and Mr. Hawkins seconded that effective February 9, 2004, to adopt an amendment to the Town of Mansfield Fee Schedule adding a \$25.00 adoption fee for domestic cats, which fee shall be effective 21 days after the Town Clerk's publication of the amendment in a newspaper having circulation in the Town of Mansfield

So passed unanimously.

10. Fundraising Request from the Connecticut Twenty-ninth Colored Regiment Monument Fund

By consensus this item would be placed in budget requests for next year.

11. Recreational Trails Program Grant-Greenway/Blueway Project Along Willimantic River at Plains Road

Mr. Thorkelson moved and Mr. Hawkins seconded that February 9, 2004, to authorize the Town Manager, Martin H. Berliner, to submit an application seeking funds in the amount of \$39,040 from the Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection's Recreational Trails Program to fund a greenway/blueway project along the Willimantic River at Plains Road in Mansfield. In furtherance of this resolution alone, the Town Manager is duly authorized to enter into and sign said contracts on behalf of the Town of Mansfield. The Town Manager is further authorized to provide such additional information and execute such other documents as may be required by the state or federal government in connection with said contracts and to execute any amendments, rescissions and revisions thereto.

So passed unanimously.

Mr. Thorkelson moved and Mr. Hawkins seconded to add the minutes of December 8, 2004 for approval on the agenda.

So passed unanimously.

Mr. Thorkelson moved and Mr. Paulhus seconded to approve the minutes of the Special meeting of December 8, 2004 as presented.

So passed unanimously.

VI. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

VII. REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Mr. Clouette met with Cynthia vanZelm, Director of the Downtown Partnership. She discussed project and goals of the Partnership.

Council members expressed interest in knowing about the proposed new trash program from Director of Public Works Lon Hultgren. Informational meetings have been held with the public who has not been in favor of this proposal.

VIII. REPORTS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

IX. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

X. FUTURE AGENDAS

Council members requested that staff look into placing a drive-up mailbox somewhere around a town building.

Mr. Haddad moved and Mr. Clouette seconded to have the Mayor send a letter commending Quinn Jones for his excellent work with the Town of Mansfield's website.

So passed unanimously.

XI. PETITIONS, REQUESTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

12. Mansfield Commission on Aging re: Accessible Drive-up Mailbox
13. Connecticut Conference of Small Towns-2004 Legislative Platform
14. Connecticut Conference of Municipalities-2004 State Legislative Program
15. Office of Legislative Research re: Major Issues for 2004 Legislative Session
16. M. Hart re: Mansfield Named Among Top 20 Municipal Websites
17. V. Walton re: Department of Environmental Protection Recycling Award
18. C.vanZelm re: December 31, 2003 Progress Report and Semi-annual Financial Report for the Downtown Mansfield Revitalization and Enhancement Project.
19. R.Favretti and E.Paterson re: Mansfield's Recommendations Regarding Draft 2004-09 Connecticut Policies Plan for Conservation and Development
20. UConn Hazardous Waste Advisory Committee-December 4, 2003 Meeting Minutes.
21. 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 2003 Report for Storm Water Sampling Report for Stadium Road Detention Basin
22. M. Berliner re: Congressional earmark
23. Mansfield Business and professional Association-February 4, 2004 Agenda
24. R. Favretti re: Scoping Comments, UConn Football Complex and Intramural, Recreational and Intercollegiate Athletic Facility
25. R. Kurnik re: Service Cuts to Dial-A-Ride Program
26. Connecticut Conference of Municipalities re: Governor's Proposed Midterm Budget Adjustments

XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Not needed.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Haddad moved and Mr. Thorkelson seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:26 p.m.

So passed unanimously.

Elizabeth Paterson, Mayor

Joan E. Gerdson, Town Clerk